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Claims 1-17 are allowable over the prior art of record wherein none the prior art references of record disclose the claimed invention for the acid sensitive polymer having a gamma-butyrolactone methacrylate in a copolymer and a photoacid generator.

However, due to a potential interference, *ex parte* prosecution is **SUSPENDED FOR A PERIOD OF SIX MONTHS** from the date of this letter. Upon expiration of the period of suspension, applicant should make an inquiry as to the status of the application.


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